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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of; :  
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For: MICROFIBRILLATED...SOLVENT :

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Asst. Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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2000--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (amended) A colloidal dispersion, in an organic solvent, of microfibrils and/or microcrystals of a fibrillar organic substance selected from the group consisting of cellulose, chitin, and polysaccharides containing in addition at least one compound possessing a hydrophilic part and a hydrophobic part.

Claim 2 (amended) A dispersion of claim 1, wherein the compound possessing a hydrophilic part and a hydrophobic part is selected from the group consisting of surfactant, a stabilizing polymer, a co-surfactant and mixtures thereof, especially a mixture